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The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has decided to issue a depredation permit valid through January 31, 2016 for the take of individual double-crested cormorants and nests, individual Brandt's cormorants and individual pelagic cormorants under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act as part of implementation of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Double-crested Cormorant Management Plan to Reduce Predation of Juvenile Salmonids in the Columbia River Estuary—Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). This allows the Corps to implement the first year of management on East Sand Island as applied for and described in Alternative C-1 of their FEIS.

The Record of Decision describes the process by which this decision was made and summarizes information gathered and analyzed throughout the development and completion of the EIS.

The Record of Decision is available online

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